2014 CHAPTER 5

Regional Business Services Organisation

Functions of RBSO: support services

1.—(1) Section 15 of the 2009 Act (functions of the Regional Business Services Organisation) is amended as follows.

(2) For the title, substitute "Functions of RBSO: support services".

(3) In subsection (1), for "other health and social care bodies" substitute "relevant bodies".

(4) After subsection (1) insert—

"(1A) Each of the following is a relevant body for the purposes of this section—

(a) any health and social care body (other than RBSO);

(b) the Northern Ireland Social Care Council;

(c) the Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery;

(d) the Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service Board.

(1B) RBSO shall provide to the Department, or on behalf of the Department secure the provision to the Department of, such support services as the Department may after consultation with RBSO direct.".

(5) In subsection (2)—

(a) for "any of those health and social care bodies" substitute "any relevant body or the Department,"; and

(b) in paragraph (i), for "and fraud prevention" substitute ", and counter-fraud and probity services".

(6) In subsection (4)—

(a) for "each of the health and social care bodies" substitute "RBSO and such relevant bodies as the Department thinks appropriate"; and

(b) for "such health and social care bodies" substitute "such relevant bodies".

Other functions of RBSO

2 After section 15 of the 2009 Act insert—

After subsection (1) insert—

"**15A Other functions of RBSO**

(1) RBSO shall exercise on behalf of the Department such functions of the Department with respect to the administration of health and social care as the Department may direct.

(2) Where RBSO is directed under this section to exercise any function, it is the duty of RBSO to put in place arrangements for exercising the function which—

(a) secure that the function is exercised in the most economic, efficient and effective way; and

(b) are approved by the Department.".